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GRAYLING, MICHIGAN.

NAVYING MOTHER.

The farthest sat in his easy chair,
Between the fire and the lamp's glow;
His face was ruddy and full and fair,
His three small boys in the chimney nook
Cuddled the heat of a pebble hot.
His wife, the pride of his home and heart,
Beside the lamp and made his last,
Laid the table and stowed the tea,
Defly, swiftly, silently.

Tired and weary, weak and faint,
She bore her trials without complaint,
Like many another household saint—
Content all selfish, all above
In the patient ministry of love.

At last, between the clouds of grief,
That wreathed his lips, the husband spoke:
"There's time to raise and interest to pay—
And of these should come a rainy day."
"I would be so glad to pay," she said,
"I have a little, I'm bound to say,
For folks must pay. For folks must die,
And there's funeral bills and graves to buy—
Enough to swing a sword and a scabbard,
Beside the sword and a scabbard and a scabbard,
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THE KEY OF THE IRONSAFE

To be precise, it was on the night of Tuesday, the 14th of March, that Mr. Milbourne disappeared. It was on the morning of the 15th that Mr. Callow called in Charles street, on the 16th he was sent down to Mr. Netherston at Torquay, who forthwith telegraphed that he would himself arrive in London on the 17th, bringing with him his duplicate key of the iron safe.

Inspector Ferraby confessed to himself that he was puzzled. He was careful not to confess as much to anybody else, however. Indeed, he did not hesitate to maintain that he possessed a clew to the mystery, while he assumed an aspect of shrewd reserve and calm vigilance. He had fairly taken up his abode in Great Grasshopper House.

With the presence of Mr. Netherston upon the scene, and the production of his duplicate key, the mystery of the disappearance of Mr. Milbourne was solved, but in the most painful and appalling manner. The strong room having been opened, the body of the missing solicitor was discovered in a huddled attitude upon the iron floor. Apparently the poor man had been thrust into the room with some violence. There was a wound upon his scalp where his head had struck against one of the iron shelves of the safe. He had, perhaps, already taken up his hat and umbrella when the murderous assault was made upon him; at any rate, these rested beside his body. It was possible, of course, that they had been flung into the safe after him.

"Murder," observed Mr. Ferraby, in a low tone, "if there ever was a murder."

A stranger's gloves found in the murdered man's room. The inspector took the gloves up in paper and deposited them in his pocket. He made an entry of some length in his note-book, and then took to brooding a good deal over the matter of the murder, as though discovery could be arrived at by a sort of incubative process.

The murder made a great stir. The newspapers found it an exciting theme. There was, of course, an inquest. There had been a post-mortem examination of the body. Inspector Ferraby was called. In the course of his testimony he produced the gloves found in Mr. Milbourne's room. He was obliged to confess, however, that he had not succeeded in tracing the gloves to their owner. The case was enveloped in mystery. It was proposed that there should be an open verdict: Willful murder against some person or persons unknown.

Suddenly a voice was heard in the court. "Mr. Coroner, I request that my evidence may be heard. Those gloves are mine. I identify them."

There was considerable excitement, or what the newspapers call "sensational," in court. A gentlemanly-looking, well-dressed young man stepped into the witness-box.

His name, it appeared, was Charles Delmar. He was not in business. He confessed that he had made money on the turf. A bill of exchange accepted by him had come into the possession of a client of the firm of Netherston & Milbourne. He had failed to honor his acceptance. He had been threatened, therefore, with legal proceedings, that produced the letter he had received from the firm. If informed him that a writ would be issued against him on the 15th of March. To avoid this he hurried up from Newmarket on the afternoon of the 14th. He was late in calling at the office of Messrs. Netherston & Milbourne, for his train had been

considerably behind its time. He brought with him money to satisfy the claim made by the lawyers on behalf of his client. It was later than 6 o'clock when he reached the office of the firm, but he could not say how much later. It might have been half-past 6. The clerks had left, apparently, but the doors were not closed and the gas was burning in the office. A gentleman who stated himself to be Mr. Milbourne came from an inner room. The witness had never seen him before—had never before entered Great Grasshopper House. He explained to Mr. Milbourne the object of his visit. His interview scarcely lasted five minutes. The interview over, the matter of business concluded, he had left Mr. Milbourne at his desk. Could not say whether he had or not, in going out, closed the door of the office behind him. Had noticed the large iron safe—it was open, and the key stood in the lock, he thought, but was not sure. He had not observed any one lurking about the entrance to the office. All was very quiet. Did not remember meeting any one in the passage. Did not miss his gloves immediately; thought, at first, he must have left them in the cab which conveyed him from the station to Great Grasshopper House. Recollected afterward that he had them on when he entered the lawyer's office, but it was too late then to go back for them. He had left London the following morning. Had not seen the newspaper for some days. Directly he had heard of the murder he hurried back to town to give evidence before the Coroner. He had only arrived in town that morning. Had now told the court all he knew.

It was judged that Mr. Delmar had given his evidence very fairly. He had answered promptly every question put to him. An adjournment of the inquiry was proposed, but the Coroner thought that upon the whole they might as well terminate their labors and leave further proceedings to the police. So the jury returned an open verdict.

Large rewards were offered for the arrest and conviction of the murderer or murderers of Daniel Milbourne, and it was understood the police were most active and indefatigable in their endeavors to solve the mystery of the crime and to bring the guilty to justice. No arrests were made, however, and people began to talk lightly of the intelligence of our officers of the law, and to inquire rather contemptuously concerning "the theory of the police."

For some time Mr. Kimber was unpleasantly conscious that he was an object of suspicion. Turn which way he would, he saw, or fancied that he saw, the eye of a policeman fixed upon him in a scrutinizing and distrustful manner. It was hard, for few men regretted the decease of his employer more sincerely than did Mr. Kimber. He could only rely upon the "excellence" of his character, his well-known respectability, and hope that in time he might live down the misgivings on his account, even of the police.

It was different with Mr. Delmar. He, too, was under surveillance. The tall, thin figure of Inspector Ferraby followed him like his shadow. But he had not Mr. Kimber's consolation. Mr. Delmar had no reserve of reputation to fall back upon. He turned upon the officer one day.

"Look here, I have had about enough of this. When are you going to let me alone? When is there to be an end of this?"

"When the murderer of Daniel Milbourne is discovered," said the inspector.

"Give a dog a bad name and hang him. You want to hang me, I suppose?"

"I want to hang the murderer of Daniel Milbourne."

"I know I'm a bad character; that my kind of life isn't considered respectable. People think because a man bets he needs must be a rogue; that all are black sheep who go on the turf. But, like some one else, we are not so black as we are painted. I'm a man of good family, I'd have you know. My father was a clergyman. I received a university education. I've lived like a gentleman, though I do attend races; and now and then, I admit it, am terribly down on my luck."

"I know all this about you, and more, Mr. Delmar," said the inspector.

"You persist, then, in dogging my footsteps, in haunting me like a ghost?"

"I must do my duty, Mr. Delmar."

"The reward tempts you, I suppose. Old Netherston, I hear, is very liberal with his money. He'd pay any amount, they tell me, to discover the party who was really guilty of the murder."

"Mr. Netherston does what he thinks his duty, and I do what I think mine."

"Then I'm to see you whichever way I go, am I? You're to follow me whether I go east, west, north, or south are you? Well, I warn you; it's enough to madden a man. You may try my patience too far. And some day, when I look round and find you following my foot-prints, I shall be tempted to—"

"Not to murder me, Mr. Delmar?"

As the inspector spoke, he seized the young man by the arm.

"No," said Mr. Delmar, with a strange laugh. "Not to murder you, Mr. Inspector, only to give you in charge. As I said before, I warn you." Mr. Delmar turned on his heel and departed. There was a cruel and wrathful expression on his face. He was of a deadly pallor, and his blue eyes flashed angrily.

The inspector mused: "A violent man, of vicious habits of life, liable to fits of passion, unscrupulous, vindictive, pitiless. He is capable of any crime. He carries a revolver. He would have shot me, then if he had dared, or the chance had seemed favorable. I know the man now. He did it."

The inspector walked on slowly, meditating as he went, in the direction Mr. Delmar had taken.

"It was a bold step, his coming forward to claim his gloves and give evidence, and he did it very well. But he received little money at Newmarket that day, and brought no bank notes to London. He went to the office to beg for time, probably. The temptation to snatch the dishonored bill was too much for him; he yielded. The murder resulted. A little more evidence and the warrant might issue."

Some months went by. It was now Christmas time; a very cold Christmas, with the snow heavy upon the roadways and roof—nature's face all white with the cold—and the wind whistling and rowing round the street corners with a sort of frantic savageness.

Inspector Ferraby was still active, though he looked blue and pinched enough, for all the close buttoning-up of his heavy overcoat and the thick muffling of his neck and chin.

Had the time for action really come at last?

After a close conference with old Mr. Netherston, Inspector Ferraby had sought the authorities at Bond street. A warrant was issued for the immediate apprehension of Charles Delmar, charged with the murder of Daniel Milbourne.

There was great excitement in the little street in Bloomsbury; not only because of the appearance upon the scene of Inspector Ferraby in a cab accompanied by two policemen, but a cry of alarm had arisen from one of the houses in the street—a lodging-house. With one accord all the windows in the neighborhood seemed to be flung open, regardless of the bitterly-black weather, and clusters of heads, young and old, tidy and untidy, forthwith protruded.

"What's the matter?" people asked, their teeth chattering in the cold. Some one answered: "Well, they do say one of Mrs. Grimston's lodgers, the gentleman in the back attic, has gone and shot himself."

"Am I too late?" murmured Inspector Ferraby, as he mounted the stairs.

It was a low-ceilinged, meanly-furnished room, with tattered walls and an uneven, creaking floor. The light entered through the snow-pattered window, fell upon the bed, and upon the body of Charles Delmar stretched across it. A pistol had fallen on the floor beside a pool of blood. The face was scarcely disfigured, but there was a small, dark wound, through which the bullet had passed, in the center of the forehead. Death, it was plain, had been instantaneous. He was half-dressed; his cheeks were hollow, and there were deep lines about his white lips, but he looked very handsome still. His face had even gained in refinement of expression.

"Such a nice gentleman as he was," sobbed Mrs. Grimston, "so pleasant, spoken always, and so liberal with his money. So long as he had any."

"Don't cry," said the inspector.

"I shall never get such another lodger, though I must say that if he was obliged to kill himself, I wish as he'd done it anywhere else. It's so unsettling in a lodging house, and so hard upon a landlady—at Christmas time, too, of all others. But what's Christmas time to him now, poor gentleman? For the matter of that, what's Christmas time to a good many others that's almost as poor and pale and cold and dead as he is, poor dear?"

And she burst into tears.

The inspector was eyeing the floor inquisitively. Presently he stooped, and with the help of a large clasp-knife succeeded in raising a portion of one of the boards. He found beneath it a rusty ring. He examined it carefully, and observed as he thrust it into his pocket: "Beyond a doubt, the key of that iron safe."

A BASE INSULT.

It doesn't always do to credit people with over-sensitiveness. The other day one of our "rising young pianists" was giving his opinion of the vulgarity and meanness displayed by our goldfish-aria-tocracy. "Why," said he, "for instance, not long ago I was invited to attend a musicale at the house of old Fallbags, on Nob Hill. Of course I played a good deal to entertain the company, and when I left old B, as he shook hands, slipped into my hand a \$20 gold piece." "Why, the thick-skinned old hog!" said the audience, indignantly. "What did you do?" "Why, you just let it go down with him. I laughingly threw the money on the floor and left, after first exchanging the coin for a counterfeited twenty I happened to have in my pocket just then—don't you see?" "Capital idea; served the old vulgarian right." "Yes, it was a huge idea, but the trouble was that his twenty turned out to be a counterfeit, too."—*San Francisco Post.*

THE POPE'S APPRECIATION OF A JOKE.

Popes as well as Protestants are not unappreciative of a mild joke. When the present Pontiff was a Cardinal and legate at Brussels the following incident occurred: He was one day writing in his study when a house painter, who was employed in painting the exterior of the legation, slid down the rope and looked at his Eminence. The Cardinal turned round, and the man slipped down the rope quickly, muttering, "What an ugly mug for a Cardinal!" His Eminence started from his chair and went toward the door, determined to have the rude fellow discharged; but as he went past a mirror he looked at himself, and, confessing that his "mug" was ugly, smiled and resumed his seat, continuing to write as if nothing had happened.

Harper's Magazine.

A SENIOR, as he gave a last pull at his glove before going to the ball, remarked: "I've sacrificed another kid to Venus."—*College Journal.*

HOW TO CATCH A POLAR BEAR.

"I do so pity those men on the Rodgers," remarked Mrs. Max, passing the Major the honey, which he always insisted upon having with his rice cake.

"Yes, indeed," replied the Major, who was a trifle cynical that morning, having burned his mouth with coffee.

"Yes, indeed, my dear, the life of an Arctic explorer must be hard. They are so isolated from the world. Just imagine, if you can, the horror of living for three years out of the dust and wind and fog and rain of our glorious climate; of not meeting all that time the man at your club who thinks the oftener a story is told the better it is; of being without the consolation afforded you by the bustling stock operator, who knows you are glad of an opportunity to lend him \$20; of being where military and Japanese decoration stores do not daily intrap one's wife; of being—"

"Why, Major, how you do talk! I was only thinking of the horrid things the Rodgers' crew will have to do to get their bear steaks."

"How's that?" asked the Major, instantly interested over the subject of steaks, which he holds of much greater importance than the Irish land troubles.

"What I know about it," resumed Mrs. Max, "I read in a fashion paper, and it ought to be true."

"It certainly ought to be, Mrs. Max, if only on account of its old age."

"Well, the article said," continued Mrs. Max, pretending to ignore the Major's slur on her favorite reading, "that Arctic explorers, when they want to kill a polar bear, plant a big knife in the ice with the blade sticking up. They dash the blade with blood, and the bear comes along and licks it and cuts his tongue. It is so cold that he doesn't feel the cut, but, tacking his own blood, he continues to lick the knife until his tongue is all frayed, and he bleeds to death. Isn't it dreadful?"

"Quiet your fears, my dear," said the Major, when his wife had finished. "That is the way they killed the bear when the story was first published, but in the last twenty years an improvement has been made which I will tell you about, if you will kindly give me just a drop more coffee, with cold milk this time. The way the thing is done is as follows:—When Capt. Borry, of the Rodgers, wants a polar bear for dinner, he gives a Midshipman a copper bed-spring and a chunk of salt pork. The Midshipman compresses the spring perfectly flat, wraps the pork around it tight, and holds it so until it freezes solid. Then the frozen pork, stuffed with the bed-spring, is thrown out to the nearest iceberg, where it is promptly swallowed by a polar bear. When the heat of the bear's stomach thaws out the pork, it releases the spring, which flies out, and the bear dies from a pain in his side."

"Major," said Mrs. Max, with much warmth, "I don't believe that story is true."

"No, my dear, and you won't until, in a few years, you see it in some fashion paper, and then you'll swear by it."—*San Francisco Chronicle.*

GRAYLANDS FULL OF GOLD.

It is now asserted that the drain of gold is not toward Europe or India, but the mouths of American people, under the persistent practice of dentistry. So literally is this true that few of our people can smile without giving surface indications of gold. The factious mathematician of the New York Times surmises that, at the present rate of disappearance, our gold supply will have been deposited in American cemeteries in not less than 300 years. What then? Will unfeeling speculators be permitted to organize, for example, a Greenwood Bonanza Company, and to publish a prospectus asserting that surface indications of gold-bearing citizens are particularly rich in its territory; that it has erected a mill capable of crushing twenty full-grown or thirty juvenile jaws daily, and that, so far as its mining operations have been conducted, the yield has averaged seventy ounces of gold to every ton of deceased citizen? Will decent people be willing to see prospectors digging in every graveyard in the country, and will mourning friends calmly submit to see a rich corpse of a recently dead citizen "jumped" by some ardent miner? It is scarcely probable that this violation of cemeteries and this crushing and sweating of gold-bearing citizens will be permitted. If speculators attempt anything of the kind, there will be endless disputes between mining companies and the heirs of the occupants of cemeteries. The authorities will have to give their whole attention to preserving the peace, and the advocates of the recovery of gold and its restoration to its former place in the currency of the world will be called "ghouls" by the silver men, which, on the whole, is rather a worse word than "Shylocks." The only way in which the disappearance of gold can be prevented is by finding a substitute for it as a material for filling teeth. If this is done in time, gold may continue in circulation. If it is not done, the triumph of the silver-mining owners is inevitable and only a century distant.

MIRRORES.

Looking-glasses used to be made by covering the plate with an amalgam of tin and mercury; but this has been superseded by depositing a coat of real silver upon the glass, thrown down in a smooth film by adding oil of cloves or other organic substances to a solution of ammonia-nitrate of silver, retained upon the plate by a raised rim of wax. The trouble with this process has been that, though cheaper, the plates are inferior in luster, and lack the "black" color which silversmiths regard as indicating perfection of polish. The long-looked-

for process of imparting the brilliancy of the mercurial coating to the cheap and durable film has at last been accomplished by chemical reaction. After the silver plating is complete the film is flooded with a weak, aqueous solution of the double cyanide of mercury and potassium; slow decomposition takes place, and the mercury is precipitated, which immediately amalgamates with the silver film. The result is said to be thoroughly satisfactory, the amalgam of silver being quite as brilliant as that of tin, and less subject to change; while the new process has the advantage of being readily applicable to the largest plates, which by the old method could be treated only with great difficulty, if at all.

A FABLE.

Two hares who were looking for a change of abode happened to meet at the entrance of a den, which had been deserted by a woodchuck.

"I saw it first!" exclaimed one.

"No, you didn't. I had my left eye on this place when I saw you with the other."

"Oh! come now—that's too thin. As I am the elder I shall take possession."

"Don't be too sure. As I am the stronger I shall turn you out."

"Come to reflect," said the older hare, after carefully scratching his ear. "There is no need of a quarrel. Right is right the world over. As we are both sensible hares I think we can come to a perfect understanding."

"No doubt we could," replied the other, "but, as there comes the fox, we will ask him to decide between us."

"What's all this row about?" inquired the fox as he came up.

"We have a dispute as to which of us is entitled to this vacant burrow."

"Ah! ha! A case of law! You did well to call me in," grinned the fox. "Let me first inspect the disputed claim."

He disappeared down the hole, and was absent so long that the impatient hares finally called out:

"Hello! you!"

"Hello yourself!" was the impudent reply.

"Are you down there?"

"You bet I am!"

"Have you decided the case?"

"Long ago. My decision is that when two hares are foolish enough to quarrel over the possession of a burrow large enough for a whole family, the fox is entitled to take possession!"

Major—Two neighbors who can't settle a question of equity should call in a lawyer.

THE TEXAS MUSTANG.

Mr. Murray, the ex-preacher, writes enthusiastically to the Boston Herald in favor of the little Texas mustang:

"Texas is just the place for the business and the tough little mustangs; the right stock to take hold of for improvement. He says that they trace their origin back to a race of equine kings and queens, and have only deteriorated under hard usage. 'I have seen these little 800-pound horses,' he says, 'travel eighty miles with a 180-pound man up, under a Southern sun, in a ride across country, without roadways, from sun to sun, and that, too, with little grain, perhaps nothing but the grass they can get from the prairie at night—many of them pace—pace like the wind—pace so fast that they play with you on the prairie, though you have a blooded mount that can run like a greyhound. Others trot—trot naturally—with stifles well out and perfect knee action, and will do nothing but trot, however hard pressed. I have traced through the prairie grasses and flowers at the rump of a mustang stallion fifteen and one-half hands high, and blood bay in color, with a tail black as night and that would sweep the ground a foot, and been unable to break up his trot or range up to his side, although my mount was a three-quarter-bred mare of 1,100 pounds weight, that took to the class with her eyes blazing and ears laid back in a way that plainly told her rider that she felt a good deal as he did.'"

A WHOPPER.

A Eastern tourist in Nevada had been spinning some incredible fish yarns, when one of the party, turning to an old mountaineer, said:

"Bill, that gets away with fishing in this country, don't it?"

"Wal, I don't know about that."

"Do you mean to say that you have caught more and larger fish?"

"No; but I have caught some purty biggers."

"Come, now, tell us the weight of the largest trout you ever caught."

"Wal, I can't exactly tell as to the weight, but you folks can fiver on it. Now, you know it is over 200 miles across this yer lake. Put that down. As I said before, I don't know the weight of the biggest fish I ever yanked out, but I did haul one up on the beach, and after I landed him the lake fell three feet, and you can see by the water mark over yonder it hasn't riz since."

EXCURSUS had been teaching her baby brother the letter O, showing it to him among his blocks, on his plate and in his pectio book, then formed it with her fingers, and then her lips, and he seemed to understand. Shortly after she heard him saying, "O! O!" and looking around she saw him pointing energetically to a round hole in his sock.

—*Cincinnati Saturday Night.*

The canal across the Isthmus of Corinth, begun by the Romans under the Emperor Nero, but never finished, is likely to be cut by the French, Gen. Tur having received a concession from the Greek Government to carry out the project.

At a picnic party the youth who recklessly hugged all the girls was put down as a free-and-asequy fellow.

A Republican House Elected.

An examination of the list of members elected to the Forty-seventh Congress, as prepared for and published in the Congressional Directory, shows that all calculations that place the Republicans in a minority are erroneous. The election returns show that there were elected to the Forty-seventh Congress, as distinctive Republicans 151 members, Democrats 131, Greenbackers 9 and Readjusters 2. Since the election the Republicans have lost five members, namely: Conger of Michigan, Faye of Maine, and Morton, Miller and Chapman of New York, and gained one in the election of John T. Rich as successor to Mr. Conger, thus leaving the Republican net loss four. This would leave the present Republican membership 147, or the exact number necessary to constitute a quorum of a full House of 293 members.

Since the election the Democrats have lost two members, the De Woot of New York, and O'Connor of South Carolina. O'Connor's election is disputed by his Republican competitor, E. W. Mackey, and all the testimony in the contest was completed before O'Connor's death. The Democrats held an election recently to fill the so-called vacancy, but the man chosen at this election, in which the Republicans took no part, will not be admitted to the roll. Deducting these two vacancies—Wood and O'Connor—from the Democratic members leaves their number 129.

The nine members classified as Greenbackers are Murch and Ladd, of Maine, Hinzell, Rice, Burrows and Ford, of Missouri, Pratt, Smith, of New York, Brumm of Pennsylvania, and Jones of Texas. Of these, Messrs. Hazleton, Rice, Burrows and Brumm were elected as Greenback Republicans, each of them defeating the regular Democratic candidates. Messrs. Ladd, Murch, Ford and Jones were members of the last Congress, and may be regarded as distinctive Greenbackers with Democratic inclinations, but the man chosen at this election, in which the Republicans took no part, will not be admitted to the roll. Deducting these two vacancies—Wood and O'Connor—from the Democratic members leaves their number 129.

The constitution of the United States prescribes that "a majority of each House shall constitute a quorum to do business; it has been held that under this clause a quorum consists of a majority of the actual membership; and in this view the Republicans will have a clear majority of four, should the six vacancies not be filled until after the organization; but in any event the Republicans have 147 members, who were elected as Republicans, which will give them a majority of the full membership, and enable them to elect a Speaker and other officers without aid from Greenbackers or Readjusters."—*New York Times.*

Bourbon Fastidious.

The Virginia Bourbons have held their convention and nominated their man, and made a platform, and taken high ground, so far as words go, concerning State-debt paying. In view of their position as debt-payers, their glittering announcement is comical. Here is the resolution, under which Artemus Ward would have written, "This is sarcasm!"

"That the maintenance of the public credit of Virginia is the essential means to the promotion of her prosperity, that we condemn repudiation in every shape and form, as a blot upon her honor, a blow at her permanent welfare, and an obstacle to her progress in wealth, industry and power; that we will make every effort to secure the redemption of the public debt, with the consent of her creditors, which is consistent with her honor and dignity; that we will not pay a cent of the debt until it is entirely redeemed, and that the several classes of the debt now existing should be united, so that equality, which is equity, may exist in the annual payment, and the interest and the ultimate redemption of the principal, that with the view of securing such equality we pledge our party to use all lawful authority to secure a settlement of the debt; that we will use all the lawful and constitutional means in our power to secure a settlement of the debt, and that the Conservative Democratic party pledges itself as part of its policy not to increase the present rate of taxation."

This solemn and high-sounding resolution from a party which has never paid the interest on the debt, which has evaded it by every conceivable kind of shuffling, and which does not intend to pay it, and whose only idea of a debt is always to owe it, is almost too ridiculous for comment. The payment of a debt in a manner consistent with the honor of a Virginia Bourbon smacks so much of the manner in which they have honorably fulfilled their political and other obligations, that their creditors, whose idea of an honorable settlement is 100 cents on the dollar, will be apt to look with dismay upon this new proposition, more especially as these debt-evaders announce that they intend to accomplish it without increasing taxes.

Men and women vary much in their manner of shopping. A woman has not the slightest hesitation in entering the biggest store in the city and buying a paper of pins or a 10-cent ball of darning-ecotton, while a man would almost as soon steal a sheep as do it, and in one case could not feel a greater loss of self-respect than in the other. The trouble with a man is that he likes to display his opulence and proclaim his financial importance, and for the indulgence of which vain ambition, if sent by his wife to make a small purchase for her, he is apt to return with a miscellaneous assortment of expensive and useless articles, and, by the acquisition thereof, thinks he has impressed the clerks with a sense of his consequence. This conviction is, in most cases, a delusion and a snare.

RATTLESNAKES have been nearly exterminated in New England, but a reptile hardly less venomous, the redsnake, often called "copperhead," abounds in some places. It is most frequently found in woody thickets or on steep and stony hillsides. It is of a dusky red, and the back of its head is of the color of an old-fashioned copper. It coils and strikes without giving warning.

A MAN, who was fishing for trout, caught his hook on a bag of gold and brought it safely to shore. As he looked at the gold he sadly said: "Just my luck; never could catch any fish."

PLEASANTRIES.

Cure for felons—arrest them.

Woman's province—the Isle of Man.

Pensons of extended views—panorama painters.

Textotale's motto—don't let your spirits go down.

A snare eye is now fashionably termed a "polka dot."

The favorite mountains of base-ball players—Appy-nines.

Two Boston Globe says that among our leading murderers the pen-knife is gradually superseding the pistol.

A St. Louis cat has died of sun-stroke. What this country wants is more sun and less loafjack. —*Boston Post.*

A Buffalo girl never has her wedding dress made in that city, for fear somebody will say she was married in a buffalo robe.

"Don't show my letters," wrote a young man to a young lady he adored. "Don't be afraid," was the reply, "I'm just as much ashamed of them as you are."

"Are you going to the ocean?" "No, I am not going to the ocean. I detest the motion. But my sister has a notion of going to the ocean, by the way of Goshen."

"My friend has a reverence for the truth," said a Baronet to a gentleman. "So I perceive," was the reply, "for he always keeps a respectable distance from it."

"Be a good little girl," said Edith to her younger sister; "you mustn't ask for a second piece of cake. It isn't good for little girls. Besides," she added, "I want it myself."

"Do you see that lovely girl over there, Tom?" Well, she is called Elaine, after Tennyson's heroine. "Is she, though? When she is in one of her tantrums, I should call her Madeline."

"You are now one," said the minister to the happy pair he had just joined together in a knot that they could never undo. "Which one?" asked the bride. "You will have to settle that for yourselves," said the clergyman.

A Western boy thought his mother was praying overlong the other evening, and he said, "Oh, mother, there's a hawk over the hens." The old lady brought her devotion to a poultry standard of measurement in double-quick time, and sprang to her feet with "Amen! Out wid yees, Thomas, and save them hens!"

"Mozzars are ripe, quite ripe," said Bill; "The night is dark and all is still, And I am ripe for frolic. Come, Sammy, quick, we'll capture some." The way they captured my clam, Was surely metacolon.

"There was an old lady in Guinea; She had a daughter named Alibine; She felt cross to the bone, And lay to the bone."

EVERYBODY has heard of the jolly Dutchman who, when the steamboat was likely to sink, succeeded, after much trouble, in finding a life-preserver large enough to fit him. While he was trying his best to blow it up—a young fellow standing by said: "You can't fill that with wind; it leaks. Don't you hear it hiss?" "Tah dot so?" he replied.

"Well, I think, den, I petter keep the viad in myself."

In the folsam and jetsam that strew the strand of ancient scrapbooks the story is told of a victim of ague when quinine wasn't free:

And it shook him, shook him sore;
Shook his boots off, and his toes;
Shook his teeth out and his hair off;
Shook his coat all into tatters;
Shook his shirt all into ribbons;
Shook his trousers, hat, shoes, toothbrush,
Shook his boots and mitts to bits,
Shook it shook him, shook him till it
Shook him yellow, gaunt and thin;
Shook him till he reached his death-bed;
Shook him till he shuffled for him;
On his mortal coil, and then it,
Having laid him cold and quiet,
Shook the earth all down upon him;
And he lies there, his grave-keel,
Ever shaking, shaking, shaking.

JOHN SHOPPING.

Men and women vary much in their manner of shopping. A woman has not the slightest hesitation in entering the biggest store in the city and buying a paper of pins or a 10-cent ball of darning-ecotton, while a man would almost as soon steal a sheep as do it, and in one case could not feel a greater loss of self-respect than in the other. The trouble with a man is that he likes to display his opulence and proclaim his financial importance, and for the indulgence of which vain ambition, if sent by his wife to make a small purchase for her, he is apt to return with a miscellaneous assortment of expensive and useless articles, and, by the acquisition thereof, thinks he has impressed the clerks with a sense of his consequence. This conviction is, in most cases, a delusion and a snare.

RATTLESNAKES have been nearly exterminated in New England, but a reptile hardly less venomous, the redsnake, often called "copperhead," abounds in some places. It is most frequently found in woody thickets or on steep and stony hillsides. It is of a dusky red, and the back of its head is of the color of an old-fashioned copper. It coils and strikes without giving warning.

A MAN, who was fishing for trout, caught his hook on a bag of gold and brought it safely to shore. As he looked at the gold he sadly said: "Just my luck; never could catch any fish."

NEWS IN BRIEF.

LONDON.
—Mr. Dillon, the Irish Nationalist leader, says that he is unable to undergo the exertion of appearing in his place in Parliament.
—An old building, four stories high, situated in the most frequented part of Vienna, Austria, suddenly fell. The greater part of the house was occupied by officers and fashionable people. Twenty lives were lost and thirty persons seriously injured.
—Fifty convicts at Goletta, Tunis, broke out of prison, secured arms, and rushed through the streets. Only two have been recaptured.
—Seven hundred men paraded the streets of Berlin, Germany, uttering anti-Jewish edicts about forty of the ringleaders were arrested. During a recent anti-Jewish riot in a Pomorian town property worth 150,000 marks was destroyed and the municipality must now indemnify the owners.
—A proclamation to the chiefs of North African states has been issued by the American, in which, after stating the invasion of Abyssinia, he announces his attention of driving him out.

PERSONAL.
—McDonald, the wrestling champion of Canada, defeated Lymon, champion of the United States, in a contest at Halifax.
—The will of Matthew Vassar, of Poughkeepsie, N. Y., bequeathed \$200,000 to various educational and charitable institutions.
—James C. Fargo is elected President of the American Express Company in place of William G. Fargo, deceased.

GENERAL.
—Advices from Rio Janeiro, South America, state that a dispatch from La Paz, Bolivia, announces that the Bolivian convention has decided to continue the war against Chile.
—The Mexican Congress is giving the settlers in New Mexico considerable trouble. The Indians are divided into small bands, and are committing murders and depredations. The citizens have taken the field against the red savages.
—Indian Agent Cook reports that the murder of Spotted Tail was the result of a conspiracy of which Black Crow was the leader, and that Chieftain was arrested and sent to Fort Niobrara. The Agent urges that the Government cease to recognize head chiefs among the tribes, as barbarous customs are thereby perpetuated, but permit the bands only to have local chiefs.

—Agent Tiffany, at San Carlos, fears trouble with the White Mountain Indians, growing out of the evil influence of medicine men, and has called for additional troops.
—The Apache Indians are committing fearful depredations in New Mexico. They slaughtered thirteen men at Alamosa in one day.
—A delegation of nineteen Indian chiefs, representing the Sioux, Ponca and Winnebago tribes, called to Washington by Secretary Kirkwood, had a conference with that gentleman and the Commissioner of Indian Affairs at the Interior Department, in reference to the chiefs belonging to the reservation to which the chiefs belong. The conference resulted in an offer by the Sioux to give Ponca family a square mile of land in Northern Nebraska. This proposition was accepted by the Poncas.

—Postmaster General James has issued an order calling the attention of Postmasters to the necessity of effectually canceling stamps on mail matter. Neglect in this matter has caused considerable loss to the Government.

POLITICAL.
—The Minnesota Republican State Convention will meet at St. Paul on the 25th of September.
—A Grand Trunk passenger train was derailed from the track by a cow and badly wrecked near Prescott, Ontario. The engineer was killed, and a number of passengers badly injured.
—A freight train on the Memphis and Charleston road ran over three negroes asleep on the track, killing two of the number and severely wounding the third.
—The Schuylkill oil works of Ryder & Wright, at Philadelphia, have been almost destroyed by fire.

—The office of the Western Newspaper Union, at Omaha, has been destroyed by fire.
—Eldred & Son's saw-mill, at Oconto, Wis., has been burned. Loss, \$70,000.
—The planing-mill of J. S. Loomis, on the corner of Baltic and North streets, Brooklyn, valued at \$70,000, has been swept away by fire.

FINANCIAL AND INDUSTRIAL.
—The value of exports of petroleum and petroleum products for twelve months ended June 30, 1891, was \$20,315,600, against \$26,215,625 for the corresponding period in the previous year.
—Crop reports from various portions of the West are given in the Chicago papers. Those from Southern Illinois tell almost uniformly of great damage to the corn by drought; from Kansas the outlook is represented as fairly satisfactory; from Nebraska the corn prospect is represented as being much better than hitherto reported; and from Minnesota and Dakota the outlook is excellent.
—A double track is being laid along the Boston, Hoosac Tunnel and Western road.
—Canadian capitalists have obtained a charter for a railway from some point on the Atlantic coast to Lake Superior, and have organized a company with a capital of \$10,000,000. Ground has been broken for a road from Montreal to St. John, along the southern shore of the St. Lawrence.
—The directors of the Northern Indiana State prison let the labor of 125 convicts at 63 cents per day.

—The National Agricultural Bureau reports a heavy decrease in wheat in Iowa and Illinois a slight decrease in Minnesota, Nebraska and California, and an increase in Wisconsin and New England. The general condition of corn is reported at 77 per cent of a full crop. The bulk product of a full crop in the United States in 1890 was 29,800,293 bushels. In 1870 it was 17,006,195 bushels.
—A rich vein of silver has been discovered near Fort Hill, in the reservation of the Kiowa Communions.
—Reports from the country around Danville, Va., indicate that the tobacco crop of that region will be greatly below the average, and will be much inferior in quality. The season here is unfavorable, and no change which may occur hereafter can make the crop an average one.

—The total value of exports for the first seven months of the present year was \$82,768,377.

CRIMES AND CRIMINALS.
—A. D. Wheeler, a clerk in the employ of J. C. Wolcott & Co., brokers, New York, absconded with \$40,000 in securities and \$15,000 in checks.
—The police of New Haven have jailed James and Walter Malley for the murder of Jennie E. Connor.
—The Federal officials in Texas have nearly broken up a gang of stage-robbers who have been very bold in their operations. Jack Harris, a former companion of Billy the Kid, and twelve others are in jail at Austin.

—Near Atlanta, Mexico, two Americans were recently assassinated. Two natives, arrested on suspicion, were shot while endeavoring to escape.

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LATEST NEWS.
—Owing to the prejudice against American pork, and the severe over-trading, there is a considerable falling off in trade in these products. In July, of last year, there was exported \$4,073,136 worth of bacon, while during July, of the present year, there were only \$3,633,559 worth.
—A. M. Hington, of Galveston, Texas, has discovered a comet in the constellation Ursa Major, which is plainly discernible through the telescope from 9 to 10 p. m.

—Three members of the Cornell University crew claim that the race at Vienna was sold by their associates.
—Five Land-Leaguers have been arrested at Bellinzone, Italy, under the Convention act.

—The English journals insist that the failure of negotiations with France for a new commercial treaty must result in a serious curtailment of trade between the countries.
—As a measure of precaution against the machinations of the Nihilists the Czar, who is residing at the palace of Czarsko-aele, near St. Petersburg, is paying more attention to the well-being of his army.

—There is no doubt that the various Republican factions will constitute an overwhelming majority of the French Legislature. In only 107 constituencies out of a total of 500 have anti-Republican candidates come forward to contest seats. The French republic seems to be a success this time.

—Mr. James Caird, the English agriculturist, says that on two-thirds of the wheat lands of England an average crop will be yielded, what is lacking in quantity being made up by the fineness of the grain. In the remaining third the crop will be 10 per cent. below an average.

—Late rains in parts of Illinois and Iowa have done great service to the corn crop in these regions, and the farmers are a little more hopeful. Reports from various points in Nebraska indicate that the wheat crop is much better than has been generally believed. The yield averages from fifteen to twenty bushels per acre, and the quality is excellent. The corn crop is fair in Nebraska.

—Charles Stockley was hanged for murder at Capt. N. Y.
—Capt. H. W. Hovgate was arraigned before Commissioner Bundy in Washington, and held in bail of \$40,000.
—A fire at New Britain, Conn., damaged the stocks of Loomis, a shoe-dealer, and Stanley & Norton, hardware merchants, to the amount of \$107,000.

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POSTAGE STAMPS.
—Postage stamps are printed from engraved plates under a hydraulic press, on paper especially prepared for this purpose.
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—This perforating machine was invented and patented by a Mr. Archer in 1852. The patent was purchased by the Government for \$20,000. The perforations are effected by passing the sheets between two cylinders provided with a series of raised bands which are adjusted to a distance apart equal to that required between the rows of perforations. Each ring on the upper cylinder has a series of cylindrical projections which fit corresponding depressions in the bands of the lower cylinder; by these the perforations are punched out, and by a simple contrivance the sheet is detached from the cylinders in which it has been conducted by an endless band.

—The rows running longitudinally of the paper are first made, and then by a similar machine the transverse ones.

—The sheets are finally subjected to heavy pressure, by which the roughness caused by the punching operation and other manipulations is removed.

A GOOD EDITOR.
—A good editor, a competent newspaper conductor, is like a General—or post-born, not made. On the London daily papers the historians, novelists, poets, essayists have been employed, and nearly all have failed. We might say all, for after a display of brilliancy, brief but grand, they died out literally. Their resources were exhausted. "I can," said a late editor of the Times to Moore, "find any number of men of genius to write for us, but very seldom one of common sense." The "thunderers" in the Times, therefore, have, so far as we know, been men of common sense. Nearly all successful editors have been men of this description. Campbell, Blower and Disraeli failed. Barnes, Sterling and Phillips succeeded. A good editor seldom writes for his paper. He reads, judges, selects, dictates, alters and combines, and to do all this well he has but little time for composition. To write for a paper is one thing, to edit a paper is another.

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